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SZECHUAN CONSCRIPTION 60 PER CENT COMPLETED

Tai Kao-hsiang, head of the Military Service Bureau of the Ministry of National Defense, recently arrived at Ch'eng-tu to inspect military administration in the province. He reports that 1949 conscription is progressing well and that 60 percent of the provincial quota has been filled. Provincial conscription should be completed by the end of March 1949.

The Provincial Council has proposed to the Central Government that the number of troops supported by Szechuan be reduced from its present figure of 420,000.

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